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PASS OPIC FOR LIPMAN

E.O. 11652: N/A

SUBJECT: DARALON - BNI

REF: (A) STATE *236636 (B) JAKARTA 13523

1. RE PARA 5 REFTEL (A) SINCE USAID HAS NEVER BEEN INV LVED IN BNI NEGOTIATIONS IT IS NOT A QUESTION OF QUOTE STAYING INVOLVED UNQUOTE BUT RATHER OF WHETHER USAID SHOULD GET INVOLVED AT THIS LATE STAGE.

2. FOLLOWING RECEIPT REFTEL (A) USAID CONTACTED MKK AND ASKED FOR INFO IN ORDER DECIDE (1) WHETHER USAID COULD PROVIDE OPIC ANY ASSISTANCE BY GETTING INVOLVED AT THIS POINT AND (2) WHAT STATUS OF NEGOTIATIONS WERE IF USAID DECIDED TO GET INVOLVED. MKK INDICATED IT HAD RECENTLY SENT TELEX TO LIPMAN EXPRESSING CONCERN OVER AMBIGUOUS STATUS OF AUTHORITY TO NEGOTIATE FOR AND COMMIT OPIC. USAID SYMPATHIZES WITH THIS CONCERN. MKK DECLINED USAID REQUEST FOR MEETING TO ACQUAINT USAID WITH PROJECT AND STATUS AND OFFERED INSTEAD TO PROVIDE A LETTER SUMMARIZING STATUS OF NEGOTIATIONS.

3. FYI HERRON OBVIOUSLY UPSET OVER TELEX FROM OPIC WHICH HE SAYS INFORMED HIM USAID QUOTE DENIED UNQUOTE THAT IT TOLD HIM IT WOULD BE NEGOTIATING WITH BNI. PLEASE RECALL THAT PARA 3 REFTEL (B) SUGGESTED THERE HAD BEEN A MISUNDERSTANDING. END FYI.

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4. USAID DOUBTS IT COULD BE HELPFUL IN ASSUMING BNI
NEGOTIATIONS IN LIGHT NUMEROUS ISSUES CITED RECENT CABLES
AND OUR UNFAMILIARITY WITH PROJECT. REPEAT CAVEAT LAST
SENTENCE PARA 6 REFTL (B). CONCUR WITH MKK SUGGESTION THAT
PROBABLY IN OPIC BEST INTEREST TO SEND TDY FINANCE SPECIALIST
FROM WASHINGTON TO COMPLETE BNI NEGOTIATIONS AND BIND OPIC.

5. MISSION DIRECTOR CASHIN NOW IN AMSTERDAM AT IGGI AND WILL
BE IN U.S. UNTIL EARLY JANUARY. THUS UNAVAILABLE TO EXECUTE
ANY DOCUMENT ON BEHALF OPIC FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH AND
OPIC REDELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO USAID IS LIMITED TO CASHIN.
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